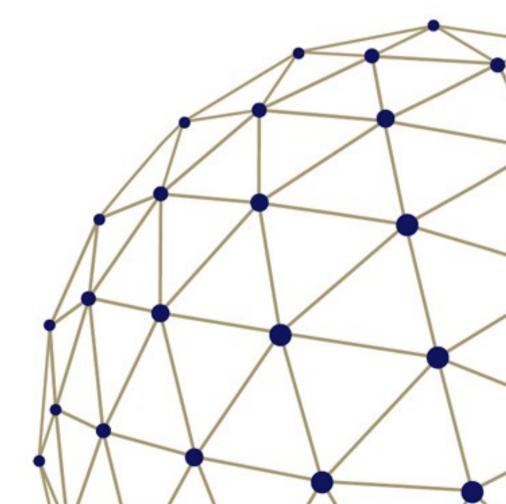


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1. MONETÁRIS POLITIKA, INFLÁCIÓ

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Monetary Policy in the Presence of Islamic Banking, 22/03/2016	IMF Working Dapor
http://www.imf.org/external/pubs/ft/wp/2016/wp1672.pdf	Working Paper
This paper discusses key issues related to the conduct of monetary policy in countries that have Islamic banks. It describes the macrofinancial background and monetary policy frameworks where Islamic banks typically operate, and discusses the monetary transmission mechanism in economies where Islamic and conventional banking coexist. Most economies with Islamic banks also have conventional banks and this calls for a comprehensive approach to monetary policy. At the same time, a dual approach to monetary policy should be considered whenever the Islamic segment of the financial system is not as developed as the conventional one. The paper tries to shed light on potential spillovers between conventional and Islamic financial systems, and proposes specific recommendations on the design of Islamic monetary policy operations and for facilitating monetary transmission through the Islamic financial system.	
Keywords: Islamic banks; dual financial systems; monetary policy; monetary transmission mechanism; nonetary operations; Sukuk markets; lender of last resort.	IMF
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Should monetary policy use its short-term policy rate to stabilize the growth in household credit and housing prices with the aim of promoting financial stability? We ask this question for the case of Canada. We find that to a first approximation, the answer is no— especially when the economy is slowing down.	
Keywords: Monetary Policy; Endogenous Financial Risk; Bayesian VAR; Non-Linear Dynamics; Policy Evaluation.	
Strengthening the International Monetary System—A Stocktaking, 17/03/2016 http://www.imf.org/external/np/pp/eng/2016/022216b.pdf	IMF Policy Paper
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In light of the changing contours of the global economy, this paper provides an overview of the challenges facing the International Monetary System (IMS). It seeks to forge a common understanding of the challenges facing the IMS and its shortcomings, and to lay the basis for discussing a possible roadmap for further work on reform areas.	Article
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Foreign Exchange Intervention under Policy Uncertainty, 17/03/2016	IMF
http://www.imf.org/external/pubs/ft/wp/2016/wp1667.pdf	Working Paper
We study the use of foreign exchange (FX) intervention as an additional policy instrument in an environment with learning, where agents infer the central bank policy rules from its policy actions. Under full information, a central bank focused on stabilizing output and inflation can achieve better outcomes by using FX intervention as an additional policy tool. Under policy uncertainty, where agents perceive that monetary policy may also have exchange rate stabilization goals, the use of FX intervention entails a trade-off, reducing output volatility while increasing inflation volatility. While having an additional policy tool is always beneficial, we find that the optimal magnitude of intervention is higher in monetary policy regimes with lower uncertainty. These results indicate that the benefits of using FX intervention as an additional stabilization tool are greater in regimes where monetary policy is credibly focused on output and inflation stabilization.	
Keywords: Foreign Exchange Intervention; Monetary Policy; Learning.	
Implications of Food Subsistence for Monetary Policy and Inflation, 17/03/2016	IMF
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We introduce subsistence requirements in food consumption into a simple new-Keynesian model with flexible food and sticky non-food prices. We study how the endogenous structural transformation that results from subsistence affects the dynamics of the economy, the design of monetary policy, and the properties of inflation at different levels of development. A calibrated version of the model encompasses both rich and poor countries and broadly replicates the properties of inflation across the development spectrum, including the dominant role played by changes in the relative price of food in poor countries. We derive a welfare-based loss function for the monetary authority and show that optimal policy calls for complete (in some cases near complete) stabilization of sticky-price non-food inflation, despite the presence of a food subsistence threshold. Subsistence amplifies the welfare losses of policy mistakes, however, raising the stakes for monetary policy at earlier stages of development.	
Keywords: Structural Transformation; Monetary Policy; Inflation; Subsistence.	

2. PÉNZÜGYI STABILITÁS, PÉNZÜGYI PIACOK

Capital Markets Union and the European monetary and financial framework	ECB
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Keynote speech by Mr. Vítor Constâncio, Vice-President of the ECB, at Chatham House, London, 21	
March 2016.	
"Capital Markets Union"	EU
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Speech by Mr. Jonathan Hill, European Commissioner at the Seventh Bruges European Business	
Conference "Capital Markets Union", Brussels, 18 March 2016.	
European Stability Mechanism (ESM) raises €1 billion in tap of November 2036 bond, 22/03/2016	EU
http://www.esm.europa.eu/press/releases/esm-raises-1-billion-in-tap-of-november-2036-bond.htm	Press Release
ECB Macroprudential Bulletin, 23/03/2016	ECB
http://www.ecb.europa.eu/pub/pdf/other/ecbmpbu201603.en.pdf	Publication
As a new ECB publication, the Bulletin explains the ECB's macroprudential tasks and provides an	
overview of recent measures that have been implemented or announced in the euro area in the last	

quarter. It will be published twice a year and discuss key issues around macroprudential policy, instruments and governance.	
Contents:	
 Topical issue: The ECB's macroprudential policy framework; 	
 Capital requirements in a model for the SSM area with three layers of default; 	
• A model of the euro area household sector for stress testing and assessing the efficacy of lending	
standard-related macroprudential policy measures;	
• A bank-level early warning model and its uses in macroprudential policy;	
Macroprudential policy measures at a glance.	
Adverse stress test scenario for the 2016 EU-wide banking sector stress test of the EBA, 17/03/2016	ESRB
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A potential macroprudential approach to the low interest rate environment in the Solvency II context,	EIOPA
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202%20A%20macroprudential%20approach%20to%20LIR%20in%20SII.pdf	Press Release
The EIOPA published today a potential macroprudential approach to the low interest rate environment	
in the Solvency II context. The aim of this publication is to contribute to the discussion on the possible	
need to develop a macroprudential framework in the insurance sector to promote financial stability in a	
Solvency II environment.	
The following three objectives to be targeted by supervisory authorities in the current low interest rate	
environment are addressed:	
1. Increasing the resilience of the insurance sector.	
2. Limiting risky behaviour of insurers collectively 'searching for yield'.	
3. Avoiding procyclicality (i.e. fluctuation in line with the trend in the economic cycle).	
For each of these three objectives EIOPA defines a set of instruments that are either part of or	
compatible with Solvency II. Furthermore, short- and medium-term actions that EIOPA and national	
supervisors can undertake in order to address the low interest rate environment are described.	
Related press release:	
EIOPA macroprudential approach to the low interest rate environment in Solvency II	
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environment-in-Solvency-II.aspx	
When the walk is not random: commodity prices and exchange rates, 18/03/2016	BIS
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We show that there is a distinct commodity-related driver of exchange rate movements, even at fairly	
high frequencies. Commodity prices predict exchange rate movements of 11 commodity-exporting	
countries in an in-sample panel setting for horizons up to two months. We also find evidence of	
systematic (pseudo) out-of-sample predictability, overturning the results of Meese and Rogoff (1983):	
information embedded in our country-specific commodity price indices clearly helps improving upon the	
predictive accuracy of the random walk in the majority of countries. We further show that the link	
between commodity prices and exchange rates is not driven by changes in global risk appetite or carry.	
<i>Keywords</i> : commodities; exchange rates; interest rates.	
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A new dimension to currency mismatches in the emerging markets - non-financial companies, 17/03/2016 http://www.bis.org/publ/work550.pdf	BIS Working Paper
A new dimension to currency mismatches has been created by policies that have increased global liquidity. Lower policy rates and a huge expansion in central bank balance sheets - purchases of domestic bonds in the advanced economies and of foreign assets in the emerging market economies (EMEs) - have served to ease financing conditions facing EME companies. This has allowed these companies to increase their gearing, notably by greater foreign currency borrowing. Aggregate foreign currency mismatches of the non-government sector in the EMEs have therefore risen sharply since 2010. Microeconomic data show that it was not only companies providing tradable goods and services but also those producing non-tradable goods which have increased their foreign currency borrowing. The across-the-board decline in EME companies' profitability since mid-2014 has brought to light significant vulnerabilities that may aggravate market volatility. Weak corporate profitability is also likely to constrain business fixed investment, and therefore growth, in the near term. But the strong external asset positions of most emerging market economies will help the authorities cope with these challenges. <i>Keywords: Currency mismatches; corporate balance sheets; leverage; corporate profitability; global liquidity; central bank balance sheets.</i>	
Monetary policy spillovers and currency networks in cross-border bank lending, 17/03/2016 http://www.bis.org/publ/work549.pdf	BIS Working Paper
We demonstrate that currency networks in cross-border bank lending have a significant impact on the size, distribution and direction of international monetary policy spillovers. Using the recently enhanced BIS international banking statistics, which simultaneously provide information on the lender, borrower and currency composition of cross-border bank claims, we map the major currency networks in international banking. Next, we show that during the 2013 Fed taper tantrum, exposure to dollar lending was associated with safe haven flows to the United States, virtually unchanged flow dynamics vis-à-vis other advanced economies, and strong outflows from emerging markets. Furthermore, this pattern was shaped by interbank lending rather than by lending to non-banks.	
Keywords: Currency networks; cross-border banking flows; international monetary policy spillovers.	

3. MIKROPRUDENCIÁLIS FELÜGYELET ÉS SZABÁLYOZÁS

Introductory statement to the press conference on the ECB Annual Report on supervisory activities 2015 (with Q&A) https://www.bankingsupervision.europa.eu/press/speeches/date/2016/html/se160323.en.html Speech by Danièle Nouy, Chair of the ECB's Supervisory Board, and Sabine Lautenschläger, Vice-Chair of the ECB's Supervisory Board, Frankfurt am Main, 23 March 2016.	ECB/SSM Speech
Presentation of the ECB Annual Report on supervisory activities 2015 in the ECON Committee of the European Parliament https://www.bankingsupervision.europa.eu/press/speeches/date/2016/html/se160322.en.html	ECB/SSM Speech +
Introductory statement by Danièle Nouy , Chair of the ECB's Supervisory Board, Brussels, 22 March 2016. <i>Related publication:</i> ECB Annual report on supervisory activities 2015 , 23/03/2016 <u>https://www.bankingsupervision.europa.eu/ecb/pub/pdf/ssmar2015.en.pdf?c52c3d897045001ef767c5</u> <u>13a1af36c5</u>	Publication

Over the course of 2015, the SSM made good progress in promoting the objectives of European banking supervision. It contributed to the safety and soundness of credit institutions and to the stability of the financial system. It also promoted the unity and integrity of the internal market based on equal treatment of credit institutions. The SSM fostered harmonisation, it followed an intrusive approach to banking supervision, and it intensified cooperation with European institutions and other supervisors, as well as communication.	
Interview with Gabriel Bernardino, Chairman of EIOPA, conducted by Erik Staschöfsky, Aktuar Aktuell magazine (Germany), 23/03/2016 https://eiopa.europa.eu/Publications/Interviews/Interview%20by%20Gabriel%20Bernardino%2023-3-2016.pdf	EIOPA Interview
Supervising large, complex financial institutions - defining objectives and measuring effectiveness http://www.bis.org/review/r160321a.pdf Opening remarks by Mr. William C Dudley, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, at the Conference on "Supervising Large, Complex Financial Institutions: Defining Objectives and Measuring Effectiveness", Federal Reserve Bank of New York, New York City, 18 March 2016.	BIS Central Bankers' Speech
Commodity dealers: Council agrees to extend exemption, 23/03/2016 http://www.consilium.europa.eu/en/press/press-releases/2016/03/23-commodity-dealers/	EU Press Release
Notification to relevant entities in respect of the resolution by Finansiel Stabilitet in respect of the sale of Andelskassen J.A.K. Slagelse under control, 23/03/2016 http://www.eba.europa.eu/documents/10180/1413812/Resolution+of+Andelskassen+JAK.pdf	EBA Notification
The EBA has received a notification from Finansiel Stabilitet (Danish Resolution Authority) in respect of the sale of Andelskassen J.A.K. Slagelse, an institution that was put under its control in the context of the application of resolution measures.	
Implementing Technical Standards on proposed amendments to FINREP IFRS due to IFRS 9, 23/03/2016 http://www.eba.europa.eu/-/eba-seeks-input-at-national-level-on-finrep-and-gaap These draft ITS are on the reporting of financial information for institutions using IFRS (FINREP IFRS). The proposed amendments follow the finalisation of IFRS 9 by the IASB in July 2014 and aim at collecting early industry views on changes that IFRS 9 would trigger to FINREP.	EBA Consultation Papers + Press Release
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Consultation Paper - Guidelines on corrections to modified duration for debt instruments under Article 340(3) of Regulation (EU) 575/2013, 22/03/2016 http://www.eba.europa.eu/documents/10180/1412589/EBA-CP-2016-	EBA Consultation Paper +
03+%28CP+on+GL+on+corrections+to+modified+duration+for+debt+instruments%29.pdf	Press Release
Regulation (EU) No 575/2013 (CRR) establishes two standardised methods to compute capital requirements for general interest rate risk. Article 339 establishes the so-called Maturity-Based calculation for general interest risk, while Article 340 regulates the Duration-Based calculation of general risk. The Duration-Based method applies the concept of Modified Duration (MD), defined according to the formulas in Article 340(3) of the CRR. This formula is valid only for instruments not subject to prepayment risk. Accordingly, a correction to the duration becomes necessary to reflect this risk. In this regard, Article 340(3) of the CRR establishes the mandate for the EBA to issue guidelines establishing how the 'correction shall be made to the calculation of the modified duration for debt instruments which are subject to prepayment risk.' This CP contains proposals with regard to those guidelines.	

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EBA Report on SMEs and SME Supporting Factor, EBA/OP/2016/04, 23/03/2016	EBA
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Following the introduction of stricter capital rules by the CRR and CRD IV, and in the context of credit	
ightening after the financial crisis, a capital reduction factor for loans to SMEs—the so-called SME SF—	
vas introduced by the CRR to allow credit institutions to counterbalance the rise in capital requirements	
esulting from the CCB, and to provide an adequate flow of credit to this particular group of companies.	
While the CCB will be gradually phased-in from 2016 to 2019,1 the SME SF was implemented as early as	
2014, thus currently reducing the capital requirements for exposures to SMEs in comparison with the	
pre-CRR/CRD IV framework. In this context, the EBA is mandated to report to the European Commission	
the Commission) on the following:2 a) an analysis of the evolution of lending trends and conditions for	
SMEs ; (b) an analysis of the effective riskiness of EU SMEs over a full economic cycle; and (c) the	
consistency of own funds requirements laid down in the CRR for credit risk on exposures to SMEs, with	
the outcomes of the analysis under points (a) and (b). The current report aims to fulfil this mandate and	
provide a detailed account and analysis on these points.	
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Section 4 provides a summary of current industry practice;	
Section 5 requests views in relation to validation and review of methodologies where there is sufficient uantitative evidence;	
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The ESMA latest risk report has found that overall market risks for European securities markets remain high with the market risk indicator remaining at very high – the highest level – with a stable outlook, while liquidity and contagion risk remain at high with a stable outlook. The details are outlined in its Trends, Risks and Vulnerabilities Report No. 1 2016 (TRV) on European Union (EU) securities markets, which covers market developments from June to December 2015. ESMA's market risk indicator was initially raised to very high in September 2015. This was in response to ESMA's identification of mounting risks posed by excessive asset valuations in EU and elsewhere, a weakening growth outlook in emerging markets, and commodity market volatility. This risk assessment has since been validated by:	
 a 19% drop in EU share prices peak-to-trough, a decline in stocks of EU financials by 27%, as well as marked distortions in commodities and emerging economy markets; and a 50% drop in fund inflows, EUR 11bn outflows from bond funds, a 30% decline in average monthly equity fund returns, and a three-year high in fund return volatilities. Overall, key risk sources remain the uncertainty of emerging market developments, in particular China, continued downward pressure on commodity prices, especially oil, and on commodity-export oriented emerging economies, reinforced by potential weaknesses in market functioning. The topical vulnerabilities report features risk analyses around the following issues: MREL/TLAC requirements and implications for investments in bail-in instruments; Identifying risks and assessing benefits of financial innovation; The central clearing landscape in the EU; and Collateral scarcity premium in European repo markets and the drivers of the cost of obtaining high- 	
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A proper design of fiscal adjustment is an essential aspect of a successful approach to consolidation.	
Economists often advocate putting emphasis on expenditure restraint as part of a well-designed consolidation strategy. There is no optimal government size, but the common presumption is that both	
potential efficiency gains in spending and the opportunity cost of incremental taxation increase more	
than proportionately with the size of the public sector. In this context, the aim of the workshop, held by	
DG ECFIN on 20 January 2015, was to discuss theoretical and policy issues associated with expenditure- based consolidations. The workshop was organised in three sessions, Session 1: "Expenditure-based	
consolidation or tax based consolidation: evidence from a cross-country perspective", session 2:	
"Interaction between private and public sector in difficult times: impact of uncertain economic	
environments on consolidations" and session 3 "Structural and institutional reforms in the context of an	
expenditure-based consolidation". The proceedings display the high quality contributions that were presented in each of these sessions.	
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Keywords: fiscal consolidation; public expenditure.	

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Immediate revenue measures need to be balanced with some attention to more fairness in tax collection. The mission recommends to cease revenue deferral arising from trivial tax disputes by requiring at least a partial payment of disputed tax before the appeal goes forward; collect tax arrears by promoting installment arrangements that fit the crisis conditions; strengthen routine monitoring of filing and payment obligations to control tax discipline; and make mandatory that largest taxpayers deal with their tax affairs at the large taxpayer inspectorate (LTI) offices instead of local offices. Ineffective internal dispute resolution processes should be replaced with an independent and fairer administrative review.	
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The SFS was established in 2014 as the successor to the Ministry of Revenue and Duties (MRD), and with three components—tax, customs and tax police. Following the turbulence arising from mid-year leadership changes in the SFS, reform momentum was invigorated and a number of important initiatives are being pursued. Since May 2015, a comprehensive reform plan has been approved; execution of the plan has commenced; many regional and local leaders were replaced; a change director was appointed; integrity programs were expanded; and a set of indicators that provide for a substantial lift in organization performance are being pursued. There are preparations for ambitious changes to organization structure which will merge the field networks across tax and customs.	
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Tax administration improvements have contributed significantly to a doubling of China's tax-to-GDP ratio and the substantial reduction in taxpayers' compliance costs since the mid-1990s. This paper describes the key features of China's tax administration and their evolution over the last 20 years. It also identifes emerging challenges to the tax system and areas where further tax administration improvements are needed to sustain tax revenue and reduce taxpayers' compliance costs in the future.	
Keywords: Tax Administration; China Tax Administration.	
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A frequently neglected aspect of financial booms and busts - financial cycles - is their impact on fiscal positions. And yet, the latest financial crisis and history show that these cycles can wreak havoc with public finances. After reviewing the impact of financial cycles on fiscal positions, we offer a new tool to estimate cyclically adjusted balances, illustrate its performance, explore its strengths and weaknesses, and sketch out a way forward to measuring sustainability in a more holistic way.	
Keywords: financial cycle; financial crisis; cyclically adjusted fiscal balance.	
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Independent fiscal institutions serve to promote sound fiscal policy and sustainable public finances. Today IFIs are considered among the most important innovations in the emerging architecture of public financial management. Within the OECD area, their number has more than tripled and is expected to continue to rise. This publication provides a unique set of in depth case studies of IFIs in 18 OECD member countries in light of many of the good practices for effective IFIs identified in the OECD Recommendation on Principles for Independent Fiscal Institutions.	

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Since the start of the economic reform process in the 70s China has been able to generate a large volume	
of investment, both from domestic and foreign sources. This high volume of investment was	
nstrumental in sustaining strong economic growth and related improvements in living standards.	
However, this growth model is not longer sustainable. Returns on investment have fallen, excessive	
capacity is plaguing several sectors and the negative externalities have been very onerous, notably in	
terms of environmental degradation and rising income inequality. A key objective of the Chinese	
government is therefore to move the economy towards a more balanced, sustainable and inclusive	
growth path as envisaged by the 13th Five-Year Plan. In this adjustment process, the country is seeking	
new approaches for smarter, greener and more productive investment. This will require mutually	
reinforcing reforms to improve investment planning, rebalance the role of government and market forces, mainstream responsible business conduct and encourage greater private investment, especially in	
green infrastructure. China's growing role as an outward investor may act as catalyser for the required	
reforms at home, as Chinese private and state-owned enterprises have to adopt internationally	
recognised practices and standards.	

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This annual edition of Labour Force Statistics provides detailed statistics on population, labour force, employment and unemployment, broken down by gender, as well as unemployment duration, employment status, employment by sector of activity and part-time employment. It also contains	

participation and unemployment rates by gender and detailed age groups as well as comparative tables for the main components of the labour force. Data are available for each OECD Member country and for OECD-Total, Euro area and European Union. The time series presented in the publication cover 10 years for most countries. It also provides information on the sources and definitions used by Member countries in the compilation of those statistics.	
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